Dr. D. A. Christian Has Practiced In Appomattox For Forty Yea

Dr. David A. Christian has been practicing medicine in Appomattox County for forty years. On May 20 he observed his 68th birthday and that date also marked the approximate forthie. anniversary of his service as a beloved physician here.

Interviewed at his home last week-end, Dr. Christian took time out to recall many interesting experiences of four secvice-crowded decades.

His grandfather, William D. Christian was a doctor. Dr. W. D. Christian graduated at Hampden-Sydney and studied medicine at the University of Pennsylvania. He is remembered by many of the older citizens of the county. And Dr. Christian's father, David A. Christian, Sr., was Appomattox County Judge for 15 years. He also served as statistician in the State Board of Education.

The present Dr. Christian completed his medical study at the Medical College of Virginia in 1906. It is interesting to note that in 1904 and 1905, he was a rural mail carrier on a route out from the Vera post office.

In May, 1908, he set up his office as a young doctor. This office was at the old Christian home, 1½ miles from Vera. The home place was known as "Mountain View."

And how many doctors do you think there were in Appomattox County at that time? One or two? You're wrong! Travel wasn't easy then. A doctor could serve only a limited territory. The following were practicing medicine in Appomattox County when Dr. Christian started: Dr. E. A. North, at Oakville; Dr. D. Mott Robertson, near Spout Spring; Dr. James Abbitt, at Appomattox; Dr. D. N. Twyman, at Appomattox; Dr. Chap Jones, at Appomattox; Dr. F. H. Lukin, at Pamplin; Dr. Hart, at Pamplin; Dr. Walker, at Evergreen; Dr. Northington, at Stonewall; and at Concord, just across the county line, Dr. W. L. Ould was practicing. That makes eleven doctors in the area!

Travel was largely by horseback, with saddle bags full of medicines a vital part of equipment. A buggy was also used. Dr. Christian was a leader in having a telephone line built to his home, to aid his patients in calling for his services.

Three generations! Left, David A. Christian, III, now a doctor in Texas and veteran of World War II; middle, Dr. D. A. Christian, II; right, his father, County Judge Christian for 15 years.

Above: This recent picture shows Appomattox's beloved physician as he looks today.

Above: the young doctor, taken at about the time he started his career here 40 years ago.

Above: Dr. and the late Mrs Christian, at the time of their marriage in 1916.

Asked if he recalled any particular horse that he used to ride, he said, "Yes, there was one, by the name of 'Logan' that many of our older folk will remember. He was a Kentucky saddle horse, procured for him by the livery stable at Appomattox.

In those days only extreme emergency cases were carried to a hospital. There was one hospital in Lynchburg, St. Andrews. To get to the hospital, a mattress would be placed on a wagon, upon which the patient would be brought to Appomattox and taken to Lynchburg on the train. It was slow business at best. Many emergency operations were performed by the local physicians. The operation was usually preceded by a consultation of local doctors. The late Dr.Twyman performed many operations here. In Lynchburg, Dr. A. D. Barksdale was just starting his long career. Dr. Christian recalls Lynchburg's Dr. Dillard and Dr. Terrill as leading surgeons at the St. Andrews hospital.

Dr. Christian purchased his first automobile, a Model A Ford, in April, 1916. The late J. R. Horsley is said to have owned the first car in the county, a red Metz. B. G. Anderson and Dr. Twyman were also early car owners. Dr. Christian says that he and his brother went to Richmond to get his first car. They left Richmond with it at 6 A. M. Travelling old dirt roads by way of Goochland, Cartersville and Farmville, they made it to Appomattox by sundown the same day, a record performance.

There is no record of how many automobiles Dr. Christian has since worn out in serving the public.

For a period, Dr. Christian served as deputy treasurer of Appomattox County. He has always been a leader in civic affairs and rendered valuable service in both world wars.

He moved to Appomattox February 10, 1926. Soon afterwards he purchased his present residence from Dr. D. N. Twyman. His office here has always been in the Babcock store building. His first home in the town has been where S. J. Evans now resides.

In 1916 he married the late Miss Bessie Stratton,who proved a wonderful helpmate to him, and they have a fine family of boys and girls. One son Dr. D. A. Christian, III, is carrying on the family tradition as a doctor, and now in Baylor Hospital, Texas.

Dr. Christian has the love and esteem of his countymen. Without thought of himself, he has given more than medicine and medical counsel to his people; he has given them hope, faith and courage. He is "tops." We congratulate him on his recent birthday and the 40th anniversary of his practice. And we thank him for having given something to the county that mere money couldn't buy: a full life of unselfish service!

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Scientists Develop Possible Antidote for Radioactivity

VENTURA, CALIF.—A new substance called rootin, believed to be an antidote for radioactivity from atom bombs, has been developed by California Polytechnic college scientists, it was disclosed.

Von T. Ellsworth, legislative director of the California Farm Bureau federation, told a farm bureau district convention about rootin.

He indicated an official announcement of the new substance would be made soon. Ellsworth said the rootin had been developed at California Polytechnic under an appropriation supported by the state farm bureaus.

U. S. Will Try to Stimulate Crops With Atom By-Products

WASHINGTON.—The government has set out to find out whether the radioactive by-products of atomic-bomb productions will really stimulate farm crops.

The research will be conducted by the Agriculture deparment under a grant from the atomic energy commission.

Radio-isotopes from the Oak Ridge, Tenn., atomic energy plant will be used in varying intensities in fertilizers applied to growing plants.

As of now, atomic scientists doubt that nuclear radiation is capable of stimulating plant growth to anything like the extent suggested in unconfirmed reports which have appeared in print from time to time.

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igh School hatter . . .

stead of saying hello, as us- are saying goodby until year. Yes, school is out, and ior class has gone.

now has been a lot happening week with everybody finishing s and tests. The Senior prom- was the highlight of the . Nearly all the Seniors were with their friends. Everyone to have enjoyed it. We very glad to see our superdent, Mr. Burke and his wife, many of our alumni. Bolly , Bobby Mitchell, William , Jimmy Burton, Warren , and many others.

Seniors almost missed getheir caps and gowns last . If Mr. Peters hadn't held sses they wouldn't have. But finally got there on the 3:00 train.

Taylor's geography class picnic last week. We wonder Cawthorn ever got enough of Jack Godsey ate e pickle!

have been seeing quite a of our old friends lately. Ann ean Burton, June Smith and Ruecher and many others been visiting us.

somebody tell us what Jerrey is trying to do to him- First, he tried to "blow up" laboratory, and it was as if he has tried to cut off head.

the way, Obra, you had betwatch Harry, for Lucy is a pretty girl, you know!

Sophomore class had a picnic Monday at Holliday Lake. and they had a wonderful swimming, boat riding, and hot dogs.

Home Agent's Schedule For Next Week

Home Demonstration Agent's Schedule Week of June 14-19:

Monday, June 14.- The Bethany Home Demonstration Club will meet at 2:00 P. M. with Mrs. Mott Harvey. Demonstration on frozen desserts. Plans for 1949 club program.

Tuesday, June 15.- The Appomattox Home Demonstration Club will meet at 2:00 P. M., at the home of Mrs. W. W. Scott. Demonstration on frozen desserts.Plans for 1949 club program.

Evergreen 4-H Club girls meet at 1:30 P. M., with Dorothy Ann Paulette, Demonstration: food preservation - canning.

Wed., June 16.- Wreck Island Home Demonstration Club will meet at 2:00 P. M., with Mrs. C. E. Carson, Jr. Demonstration on frozen desserts. Plans for the 1949 club program.

Thurs. June 17.- Liberty Chapel Home Demonstration Club will meet at 2:00 P. M., with Mrs. Wilson Scruggs. Demonstration on frozen desserts. Plans for the 1949 club program.

Friday, June 18.- The Oakville Home Demonstration Club will meet at 2:00 P. M., with Mrs. L. E. Phelps and Miss Pauline Phelps as joint hostesses. Demonstration on frozen desserts. Plans for 1949 club program.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

Memorial services in honor of veterans of all wars were held at Memorial Methodist Church, when services were conducted by the Rev F. M. Lucas and the Rev. J. Marshall Walker. The collection, in the amount of $14.00, was turned over to the American Legion Auxiliary for use in rehabilitation work with the veterans.

The service was sponsored by the American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary and the U. D. C.

WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

The Woman's Society of Christian Service will meet at Memorial Methodist Church,Wednesday June 16. Circle No. 3 will present the program and will have as their speaker a representative from "Alcoholics Anonymous" in Lynchburg. The circles will meet at 7:30 P. M. The program will begin at 8:15 P. M. The W. S. C. S. invites the national party is an underlying factor in this situation. Less than thirty attended a recent party mass meeting in Lynchburg and Richmond has made three efforts to fill out a block of 65 delegates.

In the meanwhile, dates for the national party conventions near. The Republicans meet at Philadelphia the week of June 21, and the Democrats meet in the same city a few days later.

ARTIFICIAL BREEDING INCREASES IN VIRGINIA

Test-tube babies in the bovine world are becoming a common occurrance.

A report of artificial dairy breeding in Virginia, issued by G. C. Graf, associate dairy husbandman for the Extension service, shows a 333 per cent increase in the number of associations in operation, and a 311 pe. cent in.rease in the number of cows enrolled in the period between January, 1947, and January, 1948.

In the number of cows enrolled, Virginia ranks 26th, Graf reports.

MONROE LODGE

Monroe Lodge No. 301, A. F. & A. M., meets the second Monday of every month in their hall at Appomattox, at 8:00 P. M. Visiting brothers welcome.

-T. M. Richardson, W. M.

Try a Classified ad.

Herds and Flocks

New insecticide, pyrenone, has proved its effectiveness in control of flies on livestock. Better than some of the old-time fly killing insecticides, the new material is being used now in some livestock fly sprays.

Use of protein supplements in rations for calves always has been profitable. Some farmers have failed to use these supplements, though, because of their cost. Now that grain is so high, the cost of protein supplements is relatively low. So, the use of supplements is more important one time than another, now is that time.

It looks now like the farmer who has a flock of good pullets in the laying house next fall will get good prices for eggs. The better care you take of pullets now, the better they will be able to stand up under the strain of heavy laying next fall.

Benzene hexachloride, recommended by swine specialists at agricultural colleges for control of hog lice and mange, now is being incorporated in hog oils that can be used in dipping vats, hog wallows, hog oilers or on rubbing posts.

India's army is told to end border raids.

Uncle Sam Says

Your part in the Security Loan takes nineties but benefits of your action may last a lifetime. By signing up today for the payroll savings plan for buying United States Savings Bonds where you work, or the bond-a-month plan where you bank, if you are self-employed, you will be on the road to security. Small savings become big savings when you save systematically — automatically — profitably—safely. For example, an allotment of $3.75 a week for savings bonds amounts to $1945.45 in just 10 years. Your Security is America's Security.

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GOVERNOR THOMAS E. DEWEY

HAROLD E. STASSEN

Both Governor Thomas E. Dewey and Harold Stassen were in Richmond to appeal for support from Virginia's 21 delegates to the Republican National Convention.

Delegates Are Chosen Here

With a handful present, a mass meeting of Democrats was held at the court house here Saturday to elect delegates to a State Democratic convention to be held July 2 in Richmond. Appomattox County will have 15 votes in the state convention. The local delegates attending will cast the 15 votes of the county as directed by a majority of those present.

The marked lack of interest in attending the forthcoming State Convention is reportedly general over the Old Dominion. Uncertainty over action of that body apropos the national party is an

Skyline League

Lee Theatre baseball team plays Republican Grove, of the Patrick Henry League, here tonight at 8 o'clock. Saturday night the Lynchburg Post 16 team will play here at 8 o'clock in an important Skyline League game. Gerald Torian will pitch for Lynchburg. He was the leading pitcher of the league last year.

Monday night at 8 o'clock Camp Lee will play at Appomattox, and Wednesday, June 16, Bedford will meet Appomattox here at 8 P. M.

During the past week, the Lee Theatre team defeated Rocky Mount 31 to 0, Altavista 8 to 1, Chase City 4 to 1, and last night lost to Crewe, there, 5 to 4 in 11 innings. Roy Paulette, an Appomattox boy, was the winning pitcher for Crewe.

PATRICK HENRY LEAGUE

Results Saturday:
Brookneal 7, Clays Mill 4
Republican Grove 3, Red House 1
Charlotte 2, Rustburg 1
Keysville 12, Appomattox 2.

Results Sunday:
Brookneal 5, Clays Mill 0
Red House 3, Republican Grove 2
Rustburg 18, Charlotte 3
Keysville 3, Appomattox 0.

Standing of the teams

	W	L	Pct.
Brookneal	9	2	.819
Red House	8	3	.728
Republican Grove	7	3	.700
Keysville	6	5	.546
Rustburg	4	5	.444
Charlotte	3	7	.300
Appomattox	2	8	.200
Clays Mill	2	8	.200

Games this week-end

Saturday, June 12:
Brookneal at Red House
Charlotte at Keysville
Rustburg at Appomattox
Republican Grove at Clays Mill at Rustburg.

Sunday, June 13:
Red House at Brookneal
Keysville at Charlotte
Appomattox at Republican Grove
Clays Mill at Rustburg.

Citizens' Association ticket wins 8 of 9 places on new city council in Richmond, with over 28,000 votes cast Tuesday.

Four week truce is arranged in Israel - Arab war.

Fight over cutting cost of ERP divides Republican leaders.

Truman calls present Congress "worst in history."

Sanitary Law Is Enacted

At its regular monthly meeting yesterday, the county board of supervisors adopted a sanitary ordinance for the county. The ordinance will be published next week and copies thereof distributed to citizens throughout the county.

At th eregular meeting of the Appomattox Lions Club May 27, the following resolution was effered and adopted:

That whereas an ordinance has been introduced before the Appomattox County Board of Supervisors for the regulation of the disposal of human wastes and excrements in the County of Appomattox and prescribing minimum sizes and location of septic tanks and purification fields and providing for the issuance of permits to install or repair septic tanks and providing for the enforcement of the terms of the said ordinance; and

Whereas it having been thoroughly debated by the members of this Lions Club; and

Whereas it is deemed desirable and expedient that the said ordinance be passed and that the enforcement of the said ordinance would promote general welfare and good health in the said County, it is, therefore, resolved that we, the Lions Club of Appomattox County, do strongly endorse and recommen. the adoption of the ordinance now presented before the Board of Supervisors with purposes as above set out.

Rural Phones For Stonewall Area Assured

An area of Appomattox County, in the Stonewall section, will soon be served with telephones. The C. & P. Telephone Co. is building rural lines out from Concord, and will serve an area as far as Wreck Island Creek. Service is expected to begin by the end of June.

Phones willbe of the dial type, operated from an exchange located at Concord.

Rural areas of the county have long sought telepone service, and it is to be hoped that additional lines will be constructed.

New Park To Be Dedicated

Saylor's Creek Battlefield Park, site of one of the final battles of the War Between the States, will be formally dedicated at 10:45 on June 30, William A. Wright, of the Virginia Conservation Commission, announced this week.

The ceremonies will be held at the old Hillsman House, recently restored by the Commission, which was used by the Federal forces as an emergency hospital after the battle lost by the Confederates in the spring of 1865.

Saylor's Creek Battlefield Park, with an area of more than 200 acres, includes land in Amelia, Nottoway and Prince Edward Counties.

Land Must Give More Food

How to produce enough food for an increasing population from a limited acreage of land is one of the serious problems facing agriculture. Each year adds to the number of people to be fed, but each year finds some of our productive land gone.

To hold the land we have and make this limited amount produce more is the big job ahead for Appomatox County farmers as well as the farmers all over the country. But John T. Hunter, chairman of the County Agricultural Conservation Committee, poins out, hopefully, that some farmers are finding some of the answers to greater production from the same acreage. Using the facilities of the Africulture Conservation Program, they are, in some instances, doubling the production of land and at the same time prote.ting it from erosion.

He called attention to the results of pasture improvement practices. As an example, he cited the experience of Paul J. Bloch, of Keswick in Albemarle County, Va.

When Mr. Bloch was encouraged through assistance offered under the Agricultural Conservation Program to do something about his 46-acre pasture, he was pasturing 12 cows and calves—all the land would handle. But instead of trying to buy more pasture so he could keep more livestock, he started in to improve the land he had. In just a few years, the carrying capacity of this 46 acres jumped to 30 cows and calves.

What he did was the equivalent to buying an additional 69 acres of pasture of the kind he had before improvement.And, Mr. Hunter pointed out, buying additional pasture would not have added to the total acreage in production. Ownership would merely have been shifted from one person to another. But by increasing the production without increasing the acreage owned, Mr. Bloch has added to the total production.

COUNCIL MEETING

The June meeting of the Appomattox town council was held on Wednesday night of this week instead of Monday night.

Tolley Elected Pamplin Mayor In Tuesday Vote

Fifty-five voters in the town of Pamplin went to the polls Tuesday to elect a mayor and six members of the town council for two year terms.

Results follow:
For Mayor:
J. H. Tolley, 40
C. D. Canada, 14.

For town council (* indicates those elected):

*T. C. Ligon	28
*J. M. Inge	39
*R. H. Pore	30
T. D. Guthrie	19
Mattie Thornton	22
*Pearl Lucardo	29
J. T. Inge	13
*W. M. Black	30
Ruby Clark	21
Lynford Cumby	10
Tom Wood	19
Joseph Meadows	9
Richard Williams	0
*W. R. Brightwell	40

Health Dept. Inspections To Start July 1st

"Approved toilet facilities, an approved sewage disposal system, and an approved water supply must be provided at all service stations and similar establishments in Virginia beginning July 1,1948" Dr. L. J. Roper, State Health Commissioner, stated today.

These establishments, together with restaurants, hotels, tourist homes, trailer camps, and motor courts are being affected by four sanitation laws which were enacted by the 1948 session of the General Assembly. According to the law specifically relating to service stations, the term "Service Station" indicates any pla e whose principal business is selling gas, oil, automobile accessories, and minor automotive repair services. Additional places covered by the law are historic shrines, wayside parks, natural wonders, terminals of public transportation companies and ferry boats.

Dr. Roper further asserted that every service station and all similar establishments will be inspected regularly by state inspectors as to cleanliness and general sanitation in order to protect the public health, comfort, safety, and the general welfare of tourists and other patrons.

The provisions of this law become effective July 1, and no place will be permitted to operate after January 1, 1949, unless it is operated in accordance with these regulations.

Every assistance possible will be given operators of service stations and similar establishments in meeting the requirements of the new law. This assistance will be in the form of technical advice regarding the protection of water supplies and the provision of approved sewage disposal facilities.

It was also pointed out by Dr. Roper that any operator convicted of failure to comply with any provision of this law will be liable to punishment by a fine of not less than ten dollars and no more than one hundred dollars, or by revocation of his permit to operate.

APPOMATTOX STUDENT AMONG GRADUATES

Merwyn W. Williamson, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Williamson, Route 4, Appomattox, will be among the 55 Lynchburg College seniors who will receive degrees at the commencement exercises this week.

A veteran of World War II, Williamson is graduating "magna cum laude," and will act as valedictorian of his class.

LIONS CLUB MEETING

The Appimattox Lions Club will meet tonight at 6:45.